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## **Property tax bills on-time in 91 counties**

INDIANAPOLIS (Tuesday, May 14, 2013) – The Indiana Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) announced today that property tax bills were issued on-time in 91 counties. This is the first time since at least 2001 that 91 counties have achieved on-time billing.

“With the efforts of local officials, we are pleased to return the tax billing cycle to normal,” said Micah G. Vincent, Department of Local Government Finance commissioner. “This achievement could not have been accomplished without the time and effort of the county and township assessors, county auditors, and county treasurers.”

A statewide general reassessment began July 1, 2010 for the 2012-pay-2013 property taxes. During statewide general reassessments, county and township assessors physically inspect each property to ensure that records are correct. Historically, a general reassessment has created a delay with on-time billing.

On-time tax bills afford predictability to taxpayers and local government units. On-time billing also allows many of Indiana’s 2,500 local governments to no longer borrow money to keep operations afloat, waiting on unpredictable tax billing and collections.

Property tax bills were mailed by April 25, 2013. Property tax payments were due to each county treasurer by May 10, 2013 to avoid late fees and penalties. Taxpayers in LaPorte County will receive their tax bills later.

Taxpayers interested in learning more about the assessment to tax billing cycle, can visit <http://www.in.gov/dlzf/2516.htm>. In depth information about how taxes and other public dollars are budgeted and spent by Indiana's local units of government, may be found on the Indiana Gateway for Government Units website at: <https://gateway.ifionline.org/>.

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